

Officials Aim to Begin Work on 'Cross Alameda Trail' across Island



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ALAMEDA -- A bicycle and walking path that would stretch from the city's West End to the Fruitvale Bridge will move a little closer to reality if city officials can secure a grant to help start building it.

The grant would go toward creating a 2,300-foot stretch of the "Cross Alameda Trail" along Ralph Appezzato Memorial Parkway between Webster and Poggi streets. A dirt strip now hugs the road as it borders the College of Alameda.

"You could not ask for a better project," said Gail Payne, transportation coordinator with the city's Public Works Department. "This part of the trail will link Alameda Point with Webster Street. It will also help the neighborhood because it's considered a low-income area compared to others in Alameda. ...